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                UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
              FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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                       OAKLAND DIVISION
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                       Civil Action No. 4:15-cv-06314-YGR
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    ABANTE ROOTER AND PLUMBING, INC.,
    MARK HANKINS, and PHILIP J. CHARVAT,
    individually and on behalf of all
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    others similarly situated,
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                       Plaintiffs
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    v.
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    ALARM.COM INCORPORATED, and
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    ALARM.COM HOLDINGS, INC.,
                       Defendants
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                   DEPOSITION OF: MATTHEW PITS
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              CATUOGNO COURT REPORTING SERVICES, INC.
                 155 South Main Street, Suite 201
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                     Providence, Rhode Island
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                   December 8, 2017
                                     9:05 a.m.
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                          Ellen M. Muir
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                          Court Reporter
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Page 54 1 (Exhibit 7) 2 Now, I've got some records that I can Q. represent to you that were produced by -- the VMS and 3 4 Alliance are, in essence, the same company; it's just 5 a name change? 6 Α. Correct. So I can represent that these records 7 Q. 8 came from a case brought by Diana Mey at the Northern 9 District for West Virginia against VMS and Alliance and other defendants. And I just want to ask you if 10 11 you know what these are, because we really don't know So I'm opening underneath a folder dated 12 ourselves. 13 November 5, 2014 VMS, open paren, from Moni, close paren. And opening the first document, which is ASX 14 15 and a series of zeros, one confidential. I'm going to open that and see if you can tell me what that 16 17 looks like to you. It looks like a call record, but I 18 couldn't identify what system that came from. 19 Do you know what -- does ASX suggest 20 Q. 21 anything to you? I don't know, no. 22 Α. 23 And do you know where Alliance obtained 0. 24 this document from in order to produce it in the

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2	(Break was taken at 11:52 a.m.)
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4	Q. Mr. Pits, in the Mey litigation in the
5	Northern District of West Virginia, Alliance made a
6	supplemental production on June 30, 2017. Were you
7	involved in that supplemental production?
8	A. I believe so. I don't recall that
9	specifically, but I believe I was.
10	Q. And do you know why that supplemental
11	production was made?
12	A. I don't know. We had outside counsel
13	that was managing that litigation, John Tier. But I
14	think that it was to make the call records current,
15	because the previous production had been a number of
16	years before in that case.
17	Q. In that case. And were those records
18	had those records been produced in response to the
19	Alarm.Com subpoena in this case?
20	A. Which records specifically?
21	Q. The ones that you were supplementing in
22	the Mey case in West Virginia, were those included in
23	the production in response to the subpoena in this
24	case?

Page 107 1 offers a particular variety of services, and it uses Alarm.Com integration in certain instances. And if 2 Alliance had sold a particular product that needs or 3 requires that back-end software integration and it 4 uses Alarm. Com, then, yes, it will have the customer 5 sign an Alarm.Com agreement. 6 7 So if someone is signing up for Alarm.Com services on an installation done by Alliance, the 8 9 only way that they can get it is if they sign an 10 Alarm.Com agreement, correct? MR. SCHLESSINGER: Same objection. 11 Yes. If it's facilitated through 12 13 Alarm.Com. But, again, Alliance is in the practice of selling its own products and services; and so if 14 it's a particular service that requires Alarm.Com or 15 Alarm.Com can enable, you know, an integration, then, 16 17 yes, Alliance will have the customer sign an 18 Alarm.Com agreement? Under the Alarm. Com CLS program, are you 19 aware of whether Alarm. Com has the right to audit 20 Alarm.Com calls to CLS leads? 21 I don't recall having seen their Α. 22 23 capability to audit mapped out or anything like that. 24 Has Alarm. Com ever audited Alliance? Q.

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           Α.
                 Not to my knowledge, no.
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                 Has Alarm. Com ever asserted a claim for
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     indemnification against Alliance for this lawsuit?
                 No, it has not.
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                 MR. BRODERICK: I think I have no further
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           questions. Thank you.
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                    MR. SCHLESSINGER: Can I take five
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           minutes?
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                 (Five-minute break was taken at 12:14.)
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                 (Back on at 12:18 p.m.)
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           EXAMINATION BY MR. SCHLESSINGER:
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                 Mr. Pits, my name is Dan Schlessinger.
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           Q.
     We met briefly earlier. I represent Alarm.Com, and I
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     just want to clarify a few things here. The security
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     systems that Alliance sells includes multiple
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     components typically, right?
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                 Yes, that's right.
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                 And can you list some of the components
     that are included?
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                 Well, I mean, each alarm system will have
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     a control panel that goes on the wall. There will be
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1	door/window contacts, glass/break enters, fire	
2	alarms, motion detectors. And there's other	
3	components that would actually necessitate like an	
4	Alarm.Com service, like thermostats that communicate	
5	with the system and automatic door locks, things like	
6	that.	
7	Q. So what portion of the system that	
8	Alliance sells are made by Alarm.Com?	
9	A. Well, none of the hardware is made by a	
LO	Alarm.Com at all.	
11	Q. So what Alarm.Com provides is software	
L2	that allows the system to work, correct?	
L3	A. Yeah, it's a back-end integration. So	
L4	Alarm.Com doesn't monitor so it's not a monitoring	
L5	station. Alarm.Com wouldn't be a useful really be	
L6	no need for it but it integrates Alliance with the	
L7	monitoring station and the consumers alarm panel.	
L8	Q. Is Alarm.Com the only provider of the	
L9	software that allows that integration that Alliance	
20	sells?	
21	A. No, currently Alliances is selling other	
22	systems that have another provider as well, or at	
23	least as we've transitioned away from Monitronics.	
24	Monitronics required the use of Alarm.Com, and	
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1	Alliance continues to work with Alarm.Com but has
2	other providers as well.
3	Q. Does Alarm.Com provide Alliance with
4	marketing policies that Alliance uses?
5	A. No.
6	Q. Those policies are drafted by you,
7	correct?
8	A. Yeah. Or our sales team, and approved by
9	certain individuals in the company, including me.
10	Q. Does Alarm.Com authorize Alliance when
11	it's making calls to say that it's calling on behalf
12	of Alarm.Com?
13	A. No, Alliance has never had that built
14	into the their scripting or anything like that.
15	Q. So Alliance does not do that?
16	A. No.
17	Q. Does Alarm.Com provide any scripts to
18	Alliance to use in its marketing?
19	A. Not that I have ever seen, no.
20	Q. Does Alarm.Com set quoters for Alliance?
21	A. No, not to my knowledge.
22	Q. And does Alarm.Com provide the phones or
23	dialling systems that are used by Alarm.Com?
24	A. By Alliance?

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I, ELLEN M. MUIR, a Commissioner of the State of Rhode Island, do hereby certify that MATTHEW PITS came before me on the 8th day of December, 2017, at CATUOGNO COURT REPORTING SERVICES, INC., 155 South Main Street, Suite 201, Providence, Rhode Island, and was by me duly sworn to testify to the truth and nothing but the truth as to his knowledge touching and concerning the matters in controversy in this cause; that he was thereupon examined upon his oath and said examination reduced to writing by me; and that the statement is a true record of the testimony given by the witness, to the best of my knowledge and ability.

I further certify that I am not a relative or employee of counsel/attorney for any of the parties, nor a relative or employee of such parties, nor am I financially interested in the outcome of the action.

WITNESS MY HAND this 18th day of December,

2017.

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Ellen M. Muir

Commissioner of the

State of Rhode Island

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My Commission expires:

November 30, 2021